



P&G Case 9285L

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In the Application of

John K. Howie, et al. : Confirmation No. 4432

Serial No. 10/603,278 : Group Art Unit: 1761

Filed: June 25, 2003 : Examiner: Keith D. Hendricks

For: METHOD FOR REDUCTION OF ACRYLAMIDE IN COCOA PRODUCTS, COCOA PRODUCTS HAVING REDUCED LEVELS OF ACRYLAMIDE, AND

ARTICLE OF COMMERCE

REPLY WITH AMENDMENT AND RCE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.114

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Dear Sir:

In response to the February 23, 2005 Office Action, the following response is submitted under 37 C.F.R. §1.111. Please amend the above-identified application as follows and consider the following remarks. A timely Notice of Appeal was filed on May 23, 2005 and received by the PTO on May 25, 2005 extending the time to respond to the Final Office Action by 2 months to July 25, 2005. As this response is filed within this time frame, it is believed that no additional fees are due. Included herewith is a Terminal Disclaimer along with a Request for Continued Examination and the fees required under 37 C.F.R. §1.20(d) and §1.17(e) respectively.

Amendments to the Claims: begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks / Arguments: begin on page 7 of this paper.